# Section 2 DOCUMENT VARIABLES

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**Document type: DocTyp** Source agency requested from: SrAgen Source agency's internal record number: AgenNum Person who entered record: **UserID** Date record requested/expected/sought: **DtReqs** Date record rerequested/re-searched: **DtReReqs** Date record received: **DtRecd** Date record abstracted/imported: DtAbst Date entered data checked: **DtChk** Document determined to be unavailable: DocUnav **Document notes field: DocTxt** 

Name	Definition			
DocTyp	Document type			
SrAgen	Source agency requested from			
AgenNum	Source agency's internal record number			
UserID	Person who entered record			
DtReqs	Date record requested, expected, sought			
DtReReqs	Date record re-requested, re-searched			
DtRecd	Date record received			
DtAbst	Date record abstracted, imported			
DtChk	Date entered data checked			
DocUnav	Document determined to be unavailable			
DocTxt	Document notes field			

#### Uses

These variables allow a record to be kept of the sources of information used for each incident. This can be useful in checking information, but they can also be used as an abstractor "logbook" to track the status of records that have been requested but not yet received. Moreover, they can be used for measuring timeliness by calculating the median interval between date of death and date abstracted for each abstractor. See the Introduction section of this manual for a discussion about handling variables that identify individual persons or agencies.

#### Documents

## Discussion

These variables are optional, but their use is encouraged. A press release from a law enforcement agency or prosecutor should be considered a police report rather than a newspaper article.

Name	Label	Table	Type	Field Length	Priority	Primacy
DocTyp	Document type:	Document	Number	2	О	SYS
SrAgen	Source agency requested from:	Document	Text	50	0	SYS
AgenNum	Source agency's internal record number:	Document	Text	50	0	SYS
UserID	Person who entered record:	Document	Text	15	O	SYS
DtReqs	Date record requested/ expected/sought:	Document	Text	10	0	SYS
DtReReqs	Date record re-requested/ re-searched:	Document	Text	10	O	SYS
DtRecd	Date record received:	Document	Text	10	О	SYS
DtAbst	Date record abstracted/imported:	Document	Text	10	0	SYS
DtChk	Date entered data checked:	Document	Text	10	О	SYS
DocUnav	Document determined to be unavailable:	Document	Number	1	О	SYS
DocTxt	Document notes field:	Document	Text	1000	О	SYS

# **Response Options:**

DocTyp

- 1 Death certificate
- 2 Medical examiner report
- 3 Coroner report
- 4 Police report
- 5 SHR
- 6 NIBRS
- 7 Crime lab report
- 8 Toxicology report
- 9 Hospital discharge record

# **Response Options: (Continued)**

- ED record
- Gun trace
- EMS report
- 13 CFRT report
- Newspaper article
- 88 Other

SrAgen

AgenNm

UserID

DtReqs

DtReReqs

None

DtRecd

Non

None

DtAbst

and

DtChk

None

DocUnav

0 No

1 Yes

DocTxt

None